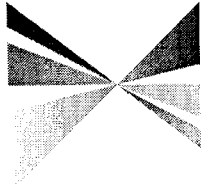


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MEETING OF THE

REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TASK FORCE

**Monday, November 13, 2006
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon**

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REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TASK FORCE

AGENDA

November 13, 2006

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Honorable
Pam O'Connor, Chair

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Members of the public desiring to speak on an agenda item or items not on the agenda, but within the purview of the Committee, must fill out and present a speaker's card to the Assistant prior to speaking. A speaker's card must be turned in before the meeting is called to order. Comments will be limited to three minutes. The chair may limit the total time for all comments to twenty (20) minutes.

3.0 REVIEW and PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

4.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

4.1 Minutes of October 9, 2006 01

5.0 ACTION ITEMS

5.1 Water Chapter Performance Outcomes and Strategy Attachment Dan Griset 03 30 Minutes
SCAG Staff

Staff will propose preliminary performance outcomes and strategy for public review and further development.

Recommended Action: Report to EEC Committee and recommend release for public review process.

5.2 Transportation Chapter Performance Outcomes and Strategy Attachment Alan Thompson 08 30 Minutes
SCAG Staff

Staff will propose preliminary performance outcomes and strategy for public review and further development.

Recommended Action: Report to EEC Committee and recommend release for public review process.



REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TASK FORCE

AGENDA

6.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 Economy Chapter Attachment

Elizabeth Delgado 12 30 Minutes
SCAG Staff

Staff will seek discussion on preliminary performance outcomes and strategy for the Economy Chapter.

6.2 Education Special Section

Jacob Lieb 30 Minutes
SCAG Staff

Staff will update the Task Force on plans To feature regional education issues in the RCP.

7.0 CHAIR'S REPORT

Honorable
Pam O'Connor, Chair

8.0 STAFF REPORT

9.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Any Committee members or staff desiring to place items on a future agenda may make such request. Comments should be limited to three (3) minutes.

10.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Regional Comprehensive Plan Task Force will be held at the SCAG offices on December 11, 2006, 10:00 a.m. – 12 Noon.



Regional Comprehensive Plan Task Force

Minutes for October 9, 2006

The following minutes are a summary of actions taken by the Regional Comprehensive Plan Task Force.

The Regional Comprehensive Plan Task Force held its meeting at the Southern California Association of Governments offices in Los Angeles. There was a videoconference at the SCAG Inland Office in Riverside. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Paul Nowatka, City of Torrance.

Committee Chair: Pam O'Connor, Santa Monica

Members Present

Cook, Debbie
Feinstein, Michael
Fesmire, Melanie
Miller, Mike
Nowatka, Paul
Pettis, Greg
Young, Toni

Representing

Huntington Beach
Ex-Officio
Indio (Phone)
West Covina
Torrance
CVAG
Port Hueneme

Members Absent

Bowlen, Paul
Buckley, Tom
Garcia, Lee Ann
McCallon, Larry
O'Connor, Pam

Representing

Cerritos
Lake Elsinor
Grand Terrace
Highland
Santa Monica

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Paul Nowatka, Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None offered.

3.0 REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

Item 8.0 will directly follow the Consent Calendar. There was no objection.

4.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

4.1 Minutes of September 11, 2006

The minutes of September 11, 2006 were approved as submitted.

5.0 ACTION ITEMS

5.1 Solid and Hazardous Waste Chapter Performance Outcomes and Strategy

Carolina Morgan, SCAG Staff, presented the report and initiated discussion.

Vice-Chair Paul Nowatka asked that for Outcome #3, the words "reuse" and "recycle" be fully defined so there is no confusion. Toni Young suggested that the word "reuse rates" be included in the Initial Proposed Quantifiable Outcome.

For Outcome #4, Toni Young suggested that the word “allow” be changed to “support” for the Initial Proposed Quantifiable Outcome.

It was agreed by the group to report to the EEC Committee and recommend release for public review process. There was no objection.

5.2 Energy Chapter Performance Outcomes and Strategy

Jennifer Sarnecki, SCAG Staff, presented the report and initiated discussion.

Mike Miller, suggested that that under Interconnections, Solid Waste, (waste to energy) should be a separate item. Toni Young, suggested deleting waste to energy entirely.

It was agreed by the group to report to the EEC Committee and recommend release for public review process. There was no objection.

5.3 Air Quality Chapter Performance Outcomes and Strategy

Sheryll Del Rosario, SCAG Staff, presented the report and initiated discussion.

It was agreed by the group to report to the EEC Committee and recommend release for public review process. There was no objection.

7.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

None

7.0 CHAIR’S REPORT

None

8.0 STAFF REPORT

Staff thanked participants in the Joint Policy Committee Workshop on Energy held October 5, 2006.

9.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.. The next Task Force meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2006, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon.

REPORT

DATE: November 13, 2006

TO: Regional Comprehensive Plan (RCP) Task Force

FROM: Jacob Lieb, Acting Lead Regional Planner, (213) 236-1921, lieb@scag.ca.gov

SUBJECT: Initial Performance Outcomes and Strategy – Water and Transportation Chapters

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Report to the appropriate policy committee, and recommend release for review and input.

SUMMARY

During the prior fiscal year, staff engaged the RCP Task Force in discussion on potential performance outcomes for each chapter included in the RCP. Based on these discussions, a review of comparable plans, and available data, staff is now proposing initial performance outcomes along with the basic strategy intended to achieve those outcomes. At the November RCP Task Force meeting, staff is presenting outcomes for the Water and Transportation Chapters. Pending consent of the Task Force, staff will seek an action to release this initial proposal from the Energy and Environment Committee and Transportation and Communications Committee, respectively.

Attachments:
Proposals

REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Water Resources and Policy Chapter

Performance Outcomes and Strategy – Initial Proposal

November 2006

DESCRIPTION

The initial performance outcomes and strategy included in this proposal are being put forward for consideration by the Regional Comprehensive Plan (RCP) Task Force, following the receipt of comments from members of the Water Policy Task Force. Once the RCP Task Force has made its review and recommendations of the outcomes and strategy, the Energy and Environment Committee (EEC) will act, directing staff to make technical refinements, and to seek input and participation from stakeholder and other interested parties. At the conclusion of this public participation phase (approximately 6 months), staff will bring a final proposal to the RCP Task Force, the EEC, and the Regional Council (RC). The purpose of the Chapter is to establish regional goals and an action plan, including performance indicators that will measure progress in the management of water resources within the SCAG Region.

Clean and reliable water in our watersheds is essential to the quality of life in our growing region. The projected growth in population and employment is certain to increase the water challenges the region will face in the coming years. Some of these challenges include the increase of stormwater and urban runoff pollution, limited interagency collaboration and initiatives within shared watershed, the continuing need to import water supplies from watersheds beyond the region, and the shortage of natural spaces within the urban land use plans. In addition, the region has aging water infrastructure systems, uneven water conservation success and a lack of dedicated funding for water projects and operations.

The overall Chapter objective is to encourage the creation and growth of environmentally sustainable communities, in which planning and policies support the sound development and management of water resources and encourage economic vitality throughout the region.

The following are the initial and proposed Chapter Outcomes:

OUTCOME #1: Waterwise Land Use and Local Policies

Description: Local land use policies and practices are established to prevent flooding risks, maximize stormwater capture and minimize water impairments in the SCAG region.

Initial Proposed Quantifiable Outcome¹:

- Increased inclusion of natural areas in land use plans for water infiltration and cleaning
- Increased percolation and stormwater capture for infiltration and reuse

Data Considerations: Local water resources plans

OUTCOME #2: Integration of Water Management Planning Within the Region

Description: Use of integrated water management planning by governments within all watersheds in the region.

Initial Proposed Quantifiable Outcome¹:

- Increased implementation of integrated projects developed through comprehensive watershed management plans
- Increased local government participation in integrated water management plans and projects

Data Considerations: Urban Water Management Plans, Basin Plan (s) DWR, etc.

OUTCOME #3: Water Conservation and Stewardship Throughout the Region

¹ All indicators will be based on current conditions. Current conditions will be based on 2005 data.

Description: Water conservation policies and stewardship practices are used throughout the SCAG region in order to reduce the waste of potable water and increase reclamation and reuse.

Initial Proposed Quantifiable Outcome¹:

- Increased implementation of habitat conservation plans and constructed wetlands
- Increased percolation and stormwater capture for infiltration and reuse.
- Increased use of locally-sustainable plantings and landscapes
- Increased use of weather-based (evapotranspiration controlled) irrigation systems in communities
- Increased use of tiered water rates to constrain water use
- Increased implementation of water recycling projects

Data Considerations: City and County Water Conservation Programs/documentation, City and County water resources departments (Public Works), EPA, RWQCB, etc.

OUTCOME #4: Waterwise Transportation Planning Within the Region

Description: Planning, implementation and operation of transportation projects that reduce stormwater risks and polluted runoff. **Initial Proposed Quantifiable Outcome¹:**

- Reduced water impairment listings involving areas with transportation facilities that require pollution control plans (TMDLs)
- Ongoing monitoring of water quality around transportation facilities throughout the region
- Development of standardized mitigation approaches for transportation projects

Data Considerations: City and County water resources departments (Public Works), EPA, RWQCB.

OUTCOME #5: Water Supply Reliability for the Region with New Storage Facilities

Description: Encourage water resources planning that includes new water storage (both surface and groundwater) to mitigate the impacts of climate change and improve water reliability and flood risks.

Initial Proposed Quantifiable Outcome¹:

- Lowered per capita consumption of potable water with increased efficiency and reuse.
- Increased water storage capacities with new surface and groundwater reservoirs
- Use of flood control measures in areas with substantial flooding risks
- Increased per capita production of local water supplies within the region

Data Considerations: City and County Governments, General Plans, Basin Plan(s), RWQCB, etc.

STRATEGY & ACTION PLAN

Local Land Use Policies

As the SCAG 2% Strategy Plan moves forward SCAG will work with individual jurisdictions to better link their land use and water resources planning and development. Some of the strategies will include:

- Implementation of open space and green belts within new and infill developments for water cleaning and infiltration
- Implementation of street designs that retain and infiltrate stormwater runoff (City of Downey, Village Homes in Davis, CA are examples)
- Requirements to use native and drought-tolerant landscaping
- Incentives for water retention features such as cisterns and other small systems

Education and Outreach Programs

SCAG will support the development and implementation of public education and outreach efforts at the local level regarding watershed management for community leaders and educators. In addition, SCAG will encourage the implementation of these policies at schools (K-12). The main strategic action will be:

Implementation of watershed education and outreach programs for community leaders and educators

Water Quality

SCAG staff will encourage and support efforts to improve the water quality in our region's watershed by engaging in the following actions:

- Implementation of integrated watershed management plans and governance
- Issuance of discharge permits on a watershed basis
- Improved coordination of water quality regulations with watershed and community institutions
- Improvement of water quality in the State Water Project
- Reduction of salt levels in the Colorado River Aqueduct supplies
- Implementation of watershed assessments within the region

Water Supply, Reliability and Storage

SCAG staff will encourage water resources planning to include storage and supply, as well as reliability and flood protection. The following actions will contribute to success in this area:

- Increased water conservation and water recycling programs (i.e., desalters)
- Increased use of groundwater storage and the development of new storage capacities. (This could include development and implementation of infiltration, recharge and injection technologies.)
- Increased water storage capacities consistent with regional water reliability

Advanced Water Management Techniques

Water management and technological advances are key components to conserve water and, therefore, be consistent with local planning, such as General Plans. Therefore, SCAG staff encourages the following actions:

- Continuation of ocean desalination research
- Greater use of voluntary water transfers between basins

Water & Energy Relation

SCAG staff will encourage a regionwide water-energy conservation effort in order to achieve incremental energy benefits for water and energy utilities. For this, staff proposed the following action:

- Increased generation of renewable energy supplies in the region's water systems

Finance Incentives

SCAG will support policies that create incentives for local agencies and other stakeholders to pursue these water management and stewardship objectives.

SUMMARY - DRAFT INDICATORS

As a basis for creating some measurements of progress towards envisioned regional goals or outcomes, staff has identified the following draft indicators:

- Reduced water impairment listings requiring pollution control plans (Total Maximum Daily Loads, or TMDLs)
- Reduced salt and organic pollutant levels in imported water supplies
- Increased implementation of integrated projects developed through watershed management plans
- Ongoing monitoring of water quality throughout the region
- Lowered per capita consumption of potable water with increased efficiency and reuse
- Increased water storage capacities in surface and groundwater reservoirs
- Increased implementation of habitat conservation plans and constructed wetlands
- Increased percolation and stormwater capture for infiltration and reuse
- Reduced use of water for air conditioning coolant
- Increased inclusion of natural areas in land use plans for water infiltration and cleaning
- Increased use of locally-sustainable plantings and landscapes
- Use of flood control measures in areas with substantial flooding risks
- Increased per capita production of local water supplies within the region

- Increased water reclamation and reuse
- Reduced beach closures owing to health risks from polluted runoff
- Increased use of weather-based (evapotranspiration controlled) irrigation systems in communities
- Increased use of tiered water rates to constrain water use
- Local government participation in integrated water management plans and projects

REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
Transportation Chapter
Performance Outcomes and Strategy – Initial Proposal
November 2006

DESCRIPTION: The initial performance outcomes and strategy included in this proposal are being put forward for consideration by the RCP Task Force, and pending their consent, the Transportation and Communications Committee (TCC). Action by the TCC would direct staff to make technical refinements, and to seek input and participation from stakeholder and interested parties. At the conclusion of this public participation phase (approximately 6 months), staff will make a final proposal to the RCP Task Force, the P&P Technical Advisory Committee, and subsequently, the TCC.

Since the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) will drive the development of the RCP Transportation Chapter, the goals, objectives and performance measures will be the same. On the following pages are the proposed goals, performance measures and targets for the transportation chapter. These can change during the RTP development process. Any change will be forwarded to the P&P Technical advisory Committee and the TCC.

| 2004 Adopted RTP Goals and Proposed Goals for Regional Comprehensive Plan (additions in italics) | |
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| 2004 Adopted RTP Goals | Proposed RCP Goals |
| Maximize mobility and accessibility for all people and goods in the region | Maximize mobility and accessibility for all people and goods in the region |
| Ensure travel safety and reliability for all people and goods in the region | Ensure travel safety and reliability for all people and goods in the region <i>Ensure transportation security, safety and reliability for all people and goods in the region</i> |
| Preserve and ensure a sustainable regional transportation system | Preserve and ensure a sustainable regional transportation system |
| Maximize the productivity of our transportation system | Maximize the productivity of our transportation system |
| Protect the environment, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency | Protect the environment, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency |
| Encourage land use and growth patterns that complement our transportation investments | Encourage land use and growth patterns that complement our transportation investments |
| | <i>Consider bicyclist and pedestrian needs in the development of all transportation projects</i> |

| Performance Measures | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|----------|---------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------|--------|----------|--------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|
| Proposed RCP Goals | Mobility | Accessibility | Cost Effectiveness | Reliability | Productivity | Safety | Security | Preservation | Sustainability | Environmental | Env. Justice |
| Maximize mobility and accessibility for all people and goods in the region | X | X | X | | | | | | | | X |
| <i>Ensure transportation security, safety and reliability for all people and goods in the region</i> | | | | X | | X | X | | | | X |
| Preserve and ensure a sustainable regional transportation system | | | | | | | | X | X | | |
| Maximize the productivity of our transportation system | X | | | | X | | | | | | |
| Protect the environment, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency | | | | | | | | | | X | X |
| Encourage land use and growth patterns that complement our transportation investments | X | X | | | X | | | | | X | X |
| <i>Consider bicyclist and pedestrian needs in the development of all transportation projects</i> | X | X | X | | | | | X | X | X | X |

| Performance Measure | Measure(s) | Definition | Performance Target | Calculation Data Sources |
|---------------------|---|--|----------------------------|--|
| Mobility | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speed Delay | <p>Speed - experienced by travelers regardless of mode</p> <p>Delay – excess travel time resulting from the difference between a reference speed and actual speed. Delay per capita can be used as a supplemental measure to account for population growth impacts on delay.</p> | Improvement over base year | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travel demand model outputs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AM Peak, PM Peak, Off-Peak, Daily Link Speeds, Travel Times, Trips |
| Accessibility | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> % PM peak period work trips within 45 minutes of home Distribution of work trip travel times | | Improvement over base year | <p>Travel Demand Model Outputs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PM Peak OD Travel Times OD Person Trips |
| Cost Effectiveness | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Benefit to Cost Ratio | Ratio of benefits of travel alternatives to the costs of travel including: infrastructure, maintenance, travel time, environmental, accident, and vehicle operating costs. Can be used to evaluate impacts of mode split changes resulting from RTP investments | Improvement over base year | <p>Travel Demand Model Outputs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revenue Forecasts RTP Project Expenditures Other Cost Estimates |
| Reliability | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> % variation in travel time | Day-to-Day change in travel times experienced by travelers. Variability results from accidents, weather, road closures, system problems and other non-recurrent conditions. | Improvement over base year | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highways – PeMS Transit – National Transit Database or triennial audit reports |
| Productivity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> % Capacity utilized during peak conditions | <p>Transportation Infrastructure capacity and services provided.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roadway capacity – Vehicles per hour per lane by type of facility. Transit Cap. – Seating capacity by mode. | Improvement over base year | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highways – PeMS Transit – National Transit Database or triennial audit report |

| Performance Measure | Measure(s) | Definition | Performance Target | Calculation Data Sources |
|-----------------------|--|---|--|---|
| Safety | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accident rates | <p>Measured in accidents per million vehicle miles by mode for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Injury Property | "0" for all accident types and modes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highways – freeway accident rates from Caltrans Transit - National Transit Database or triennial audit reports |
| Security | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> % reduction in crime at transportation facilities % increase in security surveillance | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Measured in police reports by location. Number of security cameras at key locations. | Reduction in crime over base year. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Police reports Transit Security reports Sheriff reports |
| Preservation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintenance cost per capita to preserve system at base year conditions | Focus is on infrastructure condition. Sub-set of sustainability | Improvement over base year | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sub-regional submittals Regional Population Forecast |
| Sustainability | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total cost per capita to preserve system at base year levels | Focus is on overall performance, including infrastructure condition. Preservation measure is a sub-set of sustainability | Improvement over base year | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sub-regional submittals Regional Population Forecast |
| Environmental | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emission generated by travel | Measured/Forecast emissions include CO, NOx, PM10, SOx, and VOC. CO2 as secondary measure to reflect greenhouse emissions. | Meet SIP Emission Budget and Transportation Conformity Requirements | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travel Demand Model outputs AQMD Urban AIRSHED Model (UAM) |
| Environmental Justice | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distribution of benefits and costs Accessibility Environmental | No disproportionate impact to any group or quintile. | Proportionate share of expenditure in the next RTP by each quintile. Proportionate share of benefits to each quintile ethnicity. | GIS, Census data, demographic data. Etc/ |

MEMO

DATE: November 13, 2006

TO: Regional Comprehensive Plan Task Force

Cc:

FROM: Elizabeth Delgado, Associate Regional Planner, (213) 236-1846

SUBJECT: Regional Comprehensive Plan (RCP) Economy Chapter – Interim Discussion Proposal on Performance Outcomes and Strategy

SCAG staff is not, at this time, seeking action on proposed Performance Outcomes and Strategy for the Economy Chapter. Rather, staff will make a proposal at a future meeting, pending the hiring of a new Chief Economist. In the meantime, staff is seeking discussion from the task force on potential outcomes to be included in that proposal. At this time we foresee developing outcomes in the following areas -

1. Employment - The region should achieve historical low unemployment during the plan period.
2. Wages - The region should achieve high historical per job wages/earnings during the plan period.
3. Wage Equity - Increases in wages should benefit lower income quartiles equally or greater than higher income quartiles.
4. Green Economy - The region will derive a significant percentage of its total economic activity from sustainable economic practices, including but not limited to development of alternative fuels, conversion technologies, sustainable agriculture, etc.

Strategy

The region will achieve these outcomes in the following way

1. Continue and augment implementation of the 2% Strategy
2. Develop and Maintain the region's key infrastructure
3. Improve on education and job-readiness
4. Target public assistance for desirable industry development

As with other RCP Chapters, performance outcomes for the Economy form the centerpiece of the chapter, and as such, should clearly and succinctly state the region's key, measurable objectives. Performance outcomes should be limited in number (2-4 per chapter), and should be both ambitious and achievable.

Staff will seek RCP Task Force action on proposed outcomes and strategy within 2 months. Such an action would generate a recommendation to the Community, Economic and Human Development Committee (CEHD). Action by the CEHD would direct staff to release the preliminary chapter outcomes for public review and input, and to continue technical refinements. In approximately 6 months (July 2007), staff will present a full final draft of the Economy Chapter for consideration by the Task Force, CEHD, and the Regional Council.